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FLUORESCENT SIGNALS AND METHODS

OF USING SAME

## **DECLARATION**

We, Mark B. Chandler and Don J. Chandler, both of Austin, Texas, hereby state and declare:

We believe that we are the original joint inventors of the subject matter which is described and claimed in United States Application No. 09/639,818, filed August 17, 2000, for the invention entitled MICROPARTICLES WITH MULTIPLE FLUORESCENT SIGNALS AND METHODS OF USING SAME.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the aboveidentified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including the continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date or the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)-(d) or (f), or § 365(b), of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or § 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of U.S.C. § 112, We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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